



St. Mary's Catholic Church



Greenville, South Carolina

12 March 2017

Dear Friends in Christ,

Ecclesia semper reformanda. The Church is always in need of being reformed because Christians are always in need of being reformed. The Church is also always holy because the Holy Spirit dwells within her and gives her life as the soul does in the body. This dual dimension of the Church's life — always holy and always in need of being reformed — is part of the drama of the Christian faith in every age, and Lent is a privileged time to explore the ways in which personal reformation is needed.

On Ash Wednesday we heard the Word of the Lord from the Prophet Joel: "Return to me with your whole heart ... rend your hearts not your garments." We need to return to God with our whole heart because our hearts are divided, and all of us have experienced the struggle between the desire to do what is right and the desire to do what we want. That interior division and struggle between the man I am and the man I should be is at the heart of all Christian conversion and discipleship, and there is zero possibility of being a disciple of Jesus Christ without a life-changing commitment to continuing conversion from sin and selfishness. But to be open to such ongoing conversion requires that we accept the truth of the Gospel and surrender to that truth in the obedience of faith, and that is why the Lord Jesus insists that being authentic disciples demands our acceptance of his saving doctrine. "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." (John 8.31-32)

Our conversion from sin begins at Baptism, but it must continue all the days of our lives. Four of the seven sacraments confer the forgiveness of sins, and they are: Baptism, the Holy Eucharist, the Anointing of the Sick, and Penance. After Baptism, the only ordinary way in which grave sins are forgiven is by receiving the Sacrament of Penance, by going to Confession. Catholics are bound (remember the power of binding and loosing, given by the Lord Jesus to his Apostles?) to go to Confession at least once each year as part of their Easter duty, and any Catholic who has not been to Confession in at least a year is no longer in full communion with Christ and his Church. Please use these 40 Days of preparation for Easter to go to Confession, and you can do that here on Saturday and Wednesday afternoons at the posted hours, by making an appointment with any of the priests at St Mary's, or by visiting any of the ten Catholic churches in Greenville County for the regular times of Confessions. You can also take advantage of many priests hearing Confessions at 7 pm on Monday 3 April at St Mary Magdalene, Simpsonville. Finally, on Wednesday of Holy Week, 12 April, Father Bart at St Rafka and Father Dwight at Our Lady of Rosary will be hearing Confessions from mid-morning to late afternoon.

Father Newman



Dear people of St. Mary's,

Praised be Jesus Christ! Although I have been gone for four (4) years at Aquinas College in Nashville, TN, St. Mary's is my home parish and I am excited to tell you that I have been accepted to the Dominican Province of St. Joseph. In seven years, God willing, I will be ordained a Dominican friar. As a son of St. Mary's, this parish was the fertile ground where my vocation grew, and now I am ready to take the active step of entering formation for the Dominican Order.

However, I need your help. I cannot enter the novitiate without first resolving my student loans. It turns out that this is a common problem in our country, and that almost half of the 10,000 candidates for priesthood and religious life are in the same situation. In order to not only enter formation myself but also support others like myself, I have joined the Labouré Society, an organization whose sole purpose is to help candidates overcome student debt and enter formation in their respective communities. I am inviting you to invest in my vocation and that of my 23 classmates as we undertake a six month fundraising campaign across the country.

I look forward to visiting the parish on March 19 and personally asking for your support!

Wil Bernhard



Calendar of Events

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Sunday, 12 March 2017

7.30 am ✕ Joseph Vorlick
9.00 am ✕ Marvin Hambleton
11.00 am Pro populo
1.00 pm Spanish Mass

Monday, 13 March 2017

7.00 am ✕ Betty Lee Ashley

Tuesday, 14 March 2017

7.00 am ✕ Isabella Armata
12.00 noon ✕ Jimmy VanBuskirk

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

7.00 am ✕ Ana Arroyave
12.00 noon ✕ Marvin Hambleton

Thursday, 16 March 2017

7.00 am ✕ Robert Tuttle
12.00 noon ✕ Patti Waters

Friday, 17 March 2017

7.00 am ✕ Argemira Palacio

Saturday, 18 March 2017

5.00 pm Lois McAfee

Meetings & Events *

Sunday, 12 March 2017

9.00 am 3 & 4 Year Olds (K4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall)
Nursery: During 9.00 am Mass
Coffee & doughnuts: After the 9.00 am Mass (P)
9.00 am Scripture Study
5.00 pm Solemn Vespers (church)
6.00 pm High School Youth Group (M)
6.00 pm Women of Grace

Monday, 13 March 2017

6.30 pm Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts
7.00 pm 33 Days to Divine Mercy

Tuesday, 14 March 2017

1.00 pm Senior Men's Club

Wednesday, 15 March 2017

5.00-6.00 pm Holy Hour & Confessions (church)
6.30 pm Religious Education
6.30 pm Introduction to Catholicism
6.30 pm Program of Catholic Studies
-- History (M) / Apologetics (P)

Thursday, 16 March 2017

2.00-4.00 pm St. Mary's Prayer Group

Friday, 17 March 2017

6.00 am Morning Prayer (church)
6.15-8.00 am Pillars of Christ
10.00 am Scripture Study Class
3.30-5.00 pm Youth Choir Practice
6.00 pm Way of the Cross (church)
followed by Women's Club Lenten Dinner (P)

Saturday, 18 March 2017

8.00-9.00 am Rosary - Grove Rd abortion clinic
3.30-4.30 pm Confessions (church)

Financial Report

Weekend of 4/5 March

Needed	33,150
Received	33,703
Surplus	553

Poor Box	419
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Black & Indian Home Missions	2,833
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Offertory Year to Date

Needed	1,193,400
Received	1,208,019
Surplus	14,619

Electronic Giving: If you want to have direct management of your Electronic Fund Transfer online, you can now do so through the "Manage Your EFT" link on the homepage of our website. For more information or if you have any questions please contact Jennifer Anderson at jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org.



Facebook

'Like' us on Facebook at St. Mary's Catholic Church Greenville SC.

G - Gallivan Hall M- McGrady Hall
P - Pazdan Hall Dining Room

* All events in Sacred Heart Hall unless a location is listed.

Visit us on the web at www.stmarysgvl.org

LENTEN VESPERS

Saint Mary's Catholic Church

Father Jay Scott Newman, Pastor

Sundays in Lent

5:00 P.M.

March 5

March 12

March 19

March 26

April 2

April 9

*Thirty minutes of beautiful choral music sung by the
Schola Cantorum, devotional prayer and meditative silence.*

Come pray with us. And bring a friend.

Lenten Devotions

WAY OF THE CROSS

FRIDAYS OF LENT
AT 6 PM

SOLEMN VESPERS

SUNDAYS OF LENT
AT 5 PM

Lenten Topics Class Canceled

Because of schedule conflicts Father Newman has canceled the four week course that he planned to teach on Thursday evenings beginning 9 March 2017. And instead of those four classes, we will have one Thursday event for Lent.

Please join us at 6.30 pm on Thursday 30 March to watch Mel Gibson's "The Passion of the Christ." This extraordinary film, released in 2004, is a dramatic tour de force that places the audience in the midst of the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and many lives have been opened to God's grace by sharing the experience of this film.

We will gather in Gallivan Hall to watch this movie on our newly installed digital projector and large screen which rival a cinema experience. Because of the intensity of this film, no one under sixteen will be admitted, and at the end of the show, we will have a discussion of the film to explore its theological and spiritual dimensions.

Plan now to join us at 6.30 pm on Thursday 30 March in Gallivan Hall for "The Passion of the Christ."

Friday Lenten Dinners

Women's Club members will serve soup and grilled cheese sandwiches in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room after all Stations of the Cross through Friday 7 April. Please join fellow parishioners for this devotion that commemorates 14 key events on the day of Christ's crucifixion and a Lenten dinner and fellowship afterwards. There is no cost.

Caritas Counseling Services, LLC

Counseling services are available at St. Mary's. Contact Dorothy Whalen at dorothy.whalen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4122.

St. Mary's Senior Fellowship

Join us Saturday 11 March to celebrate St. Patrick. We meet at 12.00 noon in Sacred Heart Hall. Bring a covered dish or dessert to share. New friends are always welcome! For more information, contact Patricia Wellham at 864.294.9270.

PARISH NEWS

Collection for 11/12 March

Support of the Parish & St. Mary's Building Fund

St. Mary's is sustained by the generosity of our parishioners.

Thank you for your generosity and support.

2016 Tax Statements

Tax statements are available upon request. Please contact Jennifer Anderson in the church office at 864.679.4102 or jennifer.anderson@stmarysgvl.org if you would like a copy of your contribution statement for 2016. Please allow us several days to process and mail your statement.

Special Collection on 18/19 March

Educating Priests in the Missions

The Church needs priests to preach the Gospel and celebrate the sacraments, and the cost of educating priests can be a heavy burden on dioceses with limited resources, particularly in mission territories like Africa and Asia. The Holy Father asks that dioceses in the developed world provide financial help for the education of priests in the Missions, and we will be taking a second collection in Lent to do our part. On the weekend of 18 and 19 March, everything donated in our second collection will go the Society of St Peter the Apostle, the Church's official fundraising body for the training of clergy in the missions. Thank you for your generosity.

Bulletin Submissions

The deadline for items is 12 days prior to the bulletin date. Contact Lisa at lisa.watkins@stmarysgvl.org to submit items for the e-bulletin.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The K. of C. Monthly Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday 19 March in the Pazdan Hall Dining Room after all the morning Masses. All are welcome to share breakfast with the parish family.



Join us in Pazdan Hall after the
9.00 am Mass for doughnuts

12 & 26 March



CHARLESTON VOCATIONS

Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC



If you are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, contact the Vocations Office.

Prayer for Seminarians

O Lord Jesus Christ, great High Priest, I pray that You call many worthy souls to Your holy priesthood.

Enlighten the Bishop in the choice of candidates, the Spiritual Director in molding them, and the professors in instructing them.

Lead the seminarians daily in Your unerring footsteps; so that they may become priests who are models of purity, possessors of wisdom and heroes of sacrifice; steeped in humility and aflame with love for God and man; apostles of Your glory and sanctifiers of souls. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

Loving and gracious God, Father of all, you bless your people in every time and season and provide for their needs through your providential care. Your Church is continually in need of priests, sisters and brothers to offer themselves in the service of the Gospel by lives of dedicated love. Open the hearts of your sons and daughters to listen to your call in their lives. Give them the gift of understanding to discern your invitation to serve you and your Church. Give them the gift of courage to follow your call. May they have the spirit of young Samuel who found fulfillment in his life when he said to you, "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening." We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer. Amen.

Seminarians of 2016-2017
Catholic Diocese of Charleston, SC

Men After My Own Heart

They will carry out my every wish.
-Acts 13:22



Deacon Andrew Fryml
4th Year Theology
Jesus Our Risen Savior-Spartanburg

Rhett Williams
3rd Year Theology
Cathedral of St. John the Baptist-Charleston

Francisco Oñate-Vargas
3rd Year Theology
Our Lady of the Hills-Columbia

Jimmy Touzeau
2nd Year Theology
Holy Cross-Pickens

Michael Callars
1st Year Theology
St. Mary of the Annunciation-Charleston

Will Frei
1st Year Theology
St. Mary Help of Christians-Aiken

Pedro Silva
1st Year Theology
St. Peter-Beaufort

Bruce Barnett
1st Year Theology
St. Theresa the Little Flower-Summerville

Rafael Ghattas
2nd Year Pre-Theology
St. Andrew-Myrtle Beach

Kyle Lesmes
1st Year Pre-Theology
St. Mary Magdalene-Simpsonville

Patrick Judd
3rd Year College
St. Mary Help of Christians-Aiken

Matthew Curley
2nd Year College
St. Catherine of Sienna-Lancaster

Matthew Bauer
2nd Year College
Prince of Peace-Tailors

Nicholas Shiver
2nd Year College
Christ Our King-Mount Pleasant

Erik Roman
1st Year College
St. Anne-Rock Hill

Stanislav Watson
1st Year College
St. Benedict - Mount Pleasant

Justin Damask
1st Year College
St. Thomas More-USC

Alexander Foley
1st Year College
St. Mary-Greenville

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Prayer Requests

Please pray for all those who are hospitalized and for all those who are shut-ins, ill or recuperating at home, especially Alan Howard, Ronald Labbe, Paulina Cruz, Brett Gervais, Judy Byrum, Michael Pinto, Joseph & Sandy Srp, Marie-Therese Isidore, Thomas Thomason, Carlton Carpenter, Jim Barber, Jordan A. Upham, John Hever, Bob Stewart, Alfred Smith, Mauren Lukovic, Sr. Louiselle Gagnon, Sr. Simone Baril, Christine Tancrell, Dcn. John & Irene Karandisevsky, Ted Karalekas, Lenore Cole, Celsea Patry and Mary Hunter Wylie Gibbs.

Welcome Newcomers

We welcome the following new members to our parish family: Mr & Mrs Dell Staton, Ms Jordyn Pouska, Mr & Mrs Wesley Sweeny, Mr & Mrs William Jumper, Mr & Mrs James Richardson, Mr & Mrs Paul Connolly, Mr & Mrs Andrew Universal and Dr & Dr Vito Cansellaro.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass intention, contact Vickie Acosta in the church office at 864.271.8422 or vickie.acosta@stmarysgvl.org.

Catholic Fellowship - Saturday 22 April

Catholic Fellowship is a program at St. Mary's Catholic Church that provides opportunities for parishioners to gather and get to know each other while enjoying dinner or hors d'oeuvres. The program is open chiefly to members of the parish; however, anyone in the greater Greenville Catholic community can participate. Dinners are typically held in homes of parishioners or other types of facilities. Participants are asked to bring a dish to share and a beverage of choice. If you have already signed up, look for an invitation by email soon. If you wish to join, send a message to catholicfellowship@juno.com or call Veronica Yockey at 246.5777.

Baptism Class

Prior to having a child baptized at St. Mary's, you must have been registered in the parish for at least six months, attending Sunday Mass each week, using the stewardship envelopes, and participating in the life of the parish. Baptisms take place on Saturdays at 6.15 pm after the 5.00 pm Mass. Attending a Baptism Preparation Class is required and may be attended prior to birth of your child. The next class is scheduled for Monday 27 March at 6.30 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Pre-registration in the church office is required. Contact T.J. Nielsen at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org or 864.679.4114.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Sunday Mornings for 3 & 4 Year Olds

9.00 am in the K-4 classroom of Sacred Heart Hall

Religious Education Grades 1-8

Wednesdays from 6.30-7.30 pm

Vacation Bible School

Mark your calendars! VBS 2017, *The Vatican Express with Saint Jerome* will be the week of 12-16 June from 9 am to noon (Friday 11.30 am).

FIFTH DAY OVERVIEW: The Monstrance - Be a Missionary

Bible Verse: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you" John 20.21

Registration forms for families, teen volunteers and adult volunteers are now available online at stmarysgvl.org under the Catechesis tab or the church office. We are now looking for adult volunteers; if you are interested please contact Elizabeth McLeer at gemcleer@gmail.com or 864.245.0753.

33 Days to Merciful Love Group Retreat

Based on the book, 33 Days to Merciful Love
by Fr. Michael Gaitley, MIC

This group retreat goes even deeper than the book alone and explores new material on the heart of St. Therese of Lisieux's Little Way, uncovering the power of trust in the face of personal darkness, inspiring participants to become great saints in ordinary circumstances, and laying the foundation for a personal consecration to Divine Mercy. This six week retreat starts Monday 13 March and we will meet each Monday through 17 April at 7 pm in Sacred Heart Hall. Books required. Please contact Barb Bathon at 574.261.2294 or Eileen Scoggins at 864.415.8289 to register.

Pillars of Christ

Pillars of Christ is a men's ministry led by a group of St. Mary's men who are on fire with the love of Christ and His Church. The group meets on Friday mornings from 6.00-8.00 am for prayer in the church and then in Sacred Heart Hall for study. Find out more at www.PillarsOfChrist.org.



CATHOLIC DAY



AT THE CAPITOL

Save the Date
April 12th, 2017

Hosted by South Carolina Catholic Conference
www.sccatholicconference.org

Join Catholics from across South Carolina as they gather in Columbia for Catholic Days at the Capitol at 8 a.m. on April 12th, 2017. This annual event provides an opportunity to put into action our faith's call to political responsibility and gives Catholics a voice in shaping our state laws.

Contact Michael F. Acquilano
macquilano@catholic-doc.org
(843) 261-0535

Formed.org

Online resources are available to every member of our parish through a new program called Formed. This website includes a variety of free resources, including books, movies, podcasts, etc. for people of all ages. Go to: www.Formed.org. Register using our parish code: **8B7VRM** to get access to the resources. If you have questions, please contact Timothy Nielsen at timothy.nielsen@stmarysgvl.org.

Compline at Prince of Peace - Taylors

Prince of Peace in Taylors will celebrate Compline on the Sundays of Lent at 7.30 pm in the church. All are welcome to attend.

College Scholarships

South Carolina Council of Catholic Women (SCCCW)

\$1,500 Scholarship Award

The SCCCW Reverend William F. Pentis Memorial Scholarship was established in 2009 to honor Father Pentis, an Oratorian Father, who served as Moderator for the SCCCW, providing spiritual support for more than 30 years. His work with Council was a labor of love. This award is available for Catholic females graduating from high schools within SC and planning to attend an institution of higher education.

Please visit scccw.org to download the 2017 Application which contains the complete eligibility requirements and rules. Applications must be received by 15 April 2017. No late applications will be considered.

St. Mary's Catholic Women's Club \$1,000 Scholarship Award

The Women's Club established this award in 1998 to support Catholic women of the parish in their academic endeavors. We are proud to continue this award, now in its 19th year!

Please go to the parish website to download the 2017 Application which contains the eligibility requirements and rules. Go to stmarysgvl.org, click on 'Parish Organizations' and follow the thread to 'Women's Club'. Applications must be received by 15 April 2017. No late applications will be considered. The recipient is selected via blind review.

A Franciscan Lenten Retreat St. Anthony's Catholic Church 18 March from 9.00 am-4.00 pm

There will be Speakers, Confessions, Adoration, the Franciscan Crown Rosary. Lunch will be provided: no cost, but RSVP is appreciated. Contact Marsha Wiggins at ourgran5@charter.net or if questions call Judy Bruce 864.901.5104.

PERPETUAL EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Mary Magdalene

A key card is required to enter the chapel. If you would like to sign up as an adorer or regular visitor, or just visit for the day, please come to the St. Mary Magdalene parish office Monday - Friday, between 9.00 am and 3.30 pm.


Prince of Peace

"You have made us for yourself, O Lord, and our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee." ~ St. Augustine. Come REST with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Contact Lisa Buss at adoration@princeofpeace Taylors.org or call 864.508.7123. Choose an hour of your convenience or consider one of our URGENT NEEDS (*) or one needing a prayer partner:

Monday 1 am*	Thursday 1 pm
Tuesday 1 am*, 8 am* & 6 pm	Friday 4 pm & 6 pm*
Wednesday 2 am* & 10 pm	Saturday 10 pm

DIocese of Charleston Office of Young Adult Ministry PRESENTS

Lenten Evenings of Recollection



Join your local young adult group for an evening with an engaging speaker followed by Adoration and Benediction

FIND YOUR LOCATION

Simpsonville	St. Mary Magdalene	March 14, 7pm
Columbia	St. Thomas Moore	March 15, 7pm
Lake Wylie	All Saints	March 24, 7pm

ONE BODY

Young Adult Spring



April 7-9, 2017
Camp St. Christopher - Seabrook Island,



Roman Catholic Diocese of Charleston
Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

ONE BODY

"For just as each of us has one body with many members, the members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we, though many, form one body and each member belongs to all the others."

Romans 12:4-5

As one body in Christ, we are called to come together from time to time to renew our spirits. On the weekend of April 7-9, listen to engaging speakers, participate in small groups, celebrate the Mass, and relax on the beach. Join old friends and make new ones during a weekend of faith, fun, and fellowship at beautiful Camp St. Christopher, on the One Body Retreat.



Camp St. Christopher is a complete conference center on the Atlantic Coast just south of Charleston in South Carolina. The staff, facilities and 314 acres of beach, marsh, and maritime forest make it an outstanding retreat destination.



Who should come?

Any young adult (18-35) who wants to grow in holiness and attain a greater knowledge of the Catholic faith.

How much does it cost?

Private Room: \$130

Shared Room: \$75

Cost includes dinner on Friday, breakfast, lunch & dinner on Saturday, and breakfast on Sunday, and snacks.

**For scholarships, please contact the Office of Young Adult Ministry*



Who will you hear from?



Fr. Jeffery Kirby
Author and National Speaker, EWTN Pastor,
Our Lady of Grace Lancaster, SC



Kathy Schmugge
Director of Family Life Office, MS of
Theological Studies, Former Nuclear Power
Instructor

Registration

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Parish: _____

Date of Birth: ____/____/____ mm/dd/yyyy

Food allergies/dietary
needs: _____

Room options: (check one)

Private Room: (\$130) _____

Shared Room: (\$75) _____

Roommate requested : _____

Send completed registration form & check to:
Office of Young Adult Ministry

Diocese of Charleston
901 Orange Grove Road
Charleston, SC 29407

**Make checks payable to: Diocese of Charleston*

Questions?

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